Find Financial Freedom as a Physician at VA

HELP HEAL OUR NATION’S HEROES

Discover the Specialty Education Loan Repayment Program (SELRP)

Receive up to $160,000 of student loan repayment and enjoy a rewarding career serving Veterans at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Once you finish your training, we’ll help you find an opening at a VA facility that has a critical need for your specialty.
Pathway to VA

Match into an accredited residency program for an in-demand specialty. Apply for and accept SELRP benefits. Complete your training with financial peace of mind. Serve as a full-time patient care provider at VA for 2-4 years.

Residents must be U.S. citizens and have more than one year remaining in residency. The following high-need specialties are preferred:

- Family Medicine
- Geriatric Medicine
- Internal Medicine
- Psychiatry
- Urology
- Emergency Medicine
- Gastroenterology

Consider applying for SELRP if:

- You have more than one year remaining in residency, and
- You’d like up to $40,000 each training year for paying down student loans, and
- You want a guaranteed job with strong benefits and an excellent work/life balance

Receive priority on your SELRP application if:

- You’re currently matched, or planning to match, to a program in a rural area, or
- Your training program is at a facility operated by tribal organizations, or
- You’re a Veteran

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